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# Spreading the GOSPEL in Haiti

*Once again, we flew into the disaster-stricken country of Haiti and saw blue tarps, no power, no sewers, and twisted roads filled with potholes. It would seem that after the millions of dollars poured into this country, the poor people would see a better quality of life—but that never seems to be the case.*

Thankfully, we partner with Haiti Missions INC (HMI), which responds quickly during times of disaster and helps people at other times. When Hurricane Matthew’s winds destroyed most of the homes in one community, only three of the eighty-four homes HMI had built were hurt beyond repair. In this community, not one person died! And thanks to fifty-three wells of clean water drilled by HMI, there was no cholera!

**To survive, the people ran to the sturdy cement buildings constructed by HMI and stood together as the world outside was destroyed. In trying to understand why nobody died, I realized that every HMI house was consecrated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. I think our Queen sent angels to protect them!**

As we visited people with our team and HMI founders Deacon Lloyd and Faie Duplantis, we watched people run to the deacon, thank him, and cry for joy. They know they are probably alive because of the generosity of HMI donors. Deacon Lloyd thanked me several times for the humanitarian aid Renewal Ministries sent; it was a blessing for us to see what God can do with people who trust Him and dare to hope for more. This trip was a real faith builder.

Our team spent its first morning there serving spaghetti to school kids. No students ate until all were served—they can teach us manners! One classroom was missing a roof, steel girders were twisted like pretzels, and blue tarps covered many of the kids, but school went on. Then, we stopped at the house of a woman who was very excited to see us. She had been attending a Seventh-day Adventist Church, but said nobody there cared about how or where she was living. Now she is overjoyed and amazed at God’s providence! She became Catholic on her own. The priest had said, “Don’t come to our church because of the house. We will give you the house at an appropriate time.” He also gave her vegetables when they had extra. She would eat some and sell some to provide food for her children. Real Christianity draws people to Him!

## JONAS' STORY.....

There is a blind boy named Jonas that is very special to Deacon Lloyd and Faie. They have known him most of his life. Even though his story was never verified, Jonas fell off of a porch as a child, and a stick was embedded in his eye. Someone took it out and put bleach in both of his eyes to clean them—and he was blinded as a result.

“We are here on earth to help carry the cross of Christ, the Christ hidden in other human beings, and to help in whatever way we can. We may, like Simon, have literally a strong arm to give. We may have material goods to share. We may have time we can give to Christ for others. Suffering contains in itself all that Simon gave: our mind and body, our frustrations, and our identification with other souls who are carrying a heavy cross.”



Caryll Houselander  
(+1954)  
British mystic & poet



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The deacon flew Jonas to America, where the doctor confirmed he will never see again. Jonas has a gift of singing worship music, and he always sings to the deacon and whatever group is with him. The deacon wanted Jonas to sign a poster for an American fundraiser, so he handed Jonas a pen. However, Jonas didn't know how to hold it or what his signature was. Some of our team members cried at the realization that Jonas has no access to any written materials. Nevertheless, he was happy, joyful, and blessed that the deacon had come.

### GRATEFUL FOR THE SIMPLE THINGS...

Each year, Deacon Lloyd and Faie bring duffel bags filled with playing cards, clothing, shoes, and other supplies like peanuts and Slim Jims. We spent a couple days preparing these materials for distribution. Another day, we inspected a well being drilled by HMI. The people are so thrilled with this well, even though some of them must walk over two hours to get water!

### YOU VISITED ME IN PRISON.....

We also visited the prison. After the hurricane, HMI restored the roof and the guards' quarters, and built a yard so the men have room to move. Earlier, Deacon Lloyd also had a well drilled for the prisoners. Lloyd shared the Word and his testimony with the prisoners.

**He said prison can be a blessing, because it gives a person time to think about whether their previous life was lived in freedom or deep slavery to drugs, alcohol, and violence.**

He said God loves them and wants eternal life for them, but they have to make a choice. Suddenly the noise stopped, and every bar-covered window and door was crowded by men who knew they had made mistakes and who now wanted a better life. Lloyd shared how Jesus had given him a miracle, and he said that if

they also wanted a miracle, they needed to put their lives in Jesus' hands. Lloyd then led them in a prayer of accepting Jesus. It seemed everyone in every cell repeated it. There was hope, peace, and quite a few tears in the eyes I looked into afterward. **This year for the first time, we also laid hands on the prisoners and prayed for them.**

### CCR CONFERENCE.....

Lloyd and I also spoke at all three days of the twenty-fifth annual Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference of Jeremie, Haiti. Lloyd talked about the great power available to those who work with the Lord to make disciples, and on the many new gifts the Holy Spirit wants to pour on the Church in Jeremie. He especially stressed holiness. He then invited the large crowd to the front of the stage. Hundreds came forward in great expectation. **Lloyd led them in a prayer of commitment to Jesus and for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit. He asked for gifts of healing, faith, prosperity, prophesy, preaching, teaching, and many others. It was a blessed and lively night!**

The next night, we were blessed to speak onstage with Bishop Joseph Gontran Decoste. I led the people in a prayer of forgiveness, and Lloyd did a time of renunciation. We renounced Satan, sickness, the spirit of disaster, and more. The people really entered in. After our talk, Deacon Lloyd and Fr. Jomanas blessed everyone with holy water. That was powerful!

### SEEING WITH HIS EYES.....

A couple people on our team had radar for the poor. While driving, they saw a woman in the bushes, who we had passed many times without seeing. Our team members were touched by this homeless woman who seemed alone. They asked us to gather the food we had, and they gave it to her. You could

see they made a connection. Later, they brought her clothes and a hat.

With some inquiry, our tender-hearted friends discovered she had lost her only daughter in the earthquake in Port-au-Prince and could live there no longer, due to many painful memories. We had to leave the next day, so we do not know what will happen to her, but I'm proud to be part of the team that helped one life from aching.

From the poem by Emily Dixon,

*"If I can stop one heart  
from breaking,  
I shall not live in vain;  
if I can ease one life the aching,  
or cool one pain, or help one  
fainting robin into his nest again,  
I shall not live in vain."*



**A typical Haitian home, which would likely be destroyed in a hurricane.**

**A home built by HMI, which is likely to withstand hurricanes.**

